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Honorable Charles H. Taylor
Member, House of Representatives
22 South Pack Square, Suite 330
Asheville, North Carolina 28801

Dear Congressman Taylor:

This is in reply to your letter of February 22, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, F. Merton Cregger, regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituent is specifically concerned about the impact of these changes

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January 27, 1993

The Honorable Charles Taylor
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Congressman Taylor:

As you can see from the enclosed copy of my letter to the FCC I am very concerned about the possibility that the FCC will change the present rules governing frequencies allotted to radio controlled model hobbyists. The proposed changes will greatly reduce the channels that can be used in the two bands now assigned to R/C operation and will make operation of R/C models very unsafe.

I would very much appreciate if you would look into this matter and

January 26, 1993

Federal Communications Commission
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Ref.: NPRM - PR Docket 92-235

Dear Sirs:


It is my understanding that the Federal Communications Commission is considering a rule change that will impact very negatively on the hobby of radio controlled model aircraft, cars and boats. This change would reduce the present 10 Khz spacing between commercial users and the frequencies used by Radio Controlled modellers to 2.5 Khz! This would greatly increase the danger of my losing control of my R/C aircraft with its likely destruction and injury to persons and or property.

I have invested a great deal of money in my hobby as have the many hundreds of thousands of fellow R/C hobbyists. We are of all ages and economic strata and get a great deal of enjoyment from our hobby. The R/C industry has grown steadily over the last twenty or thirty years and now accounts for thousands of jobs and supports many small businesses in the United States. The proposed rule change would put all this in extreme jeopardy.

Please keep the 10 Khz spacing between all frequencies on the 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands now available for use by R/C hobbyists thus ensuring that this growing and important hobby and the industry that supports it will prosper.

Thank you for your kind attention to this important matter.

Very truly yours,



F. Merton Cregger

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